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Our Case No.: 659/912

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mlinar et al.

Serial No.: 10/034,994

Filing Date: December 28, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
WEAKENING A PORTION OF A
WEB

Examiner: To be assigned

Group Art Unit No.: 1772

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the

Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

No.	Date	Name
6,132,410	10/2000	Van Gompel et al.
6,217,563 B1	4/2001	Van Gompel et al.
6,264,641 B1	7/2001	Van Gompel et al.
6,336,922 B1	1/2002	Van Gompel et al.
6,361,527	3/2002	Van Gompel et al.
6,375,646	4/2002	Widlund et al.

FOREIGN DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY
EP 0 907 510 B1	3/2002	EPO
3-205053	9/1991	Japan

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

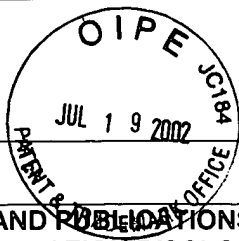
Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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FORM PTO-1449	SERIAL NO. 10/034,994	CASE NO. 659-912
LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR APPLICANT'S INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	FILING DATE December 28, 2001	GROUP ART UNIT 1772
(use several sheets if necessary)		APPLICANT(S): Mlinar et al.

REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	B3	6,264,641 B1	7/2001	Van Gompel et al.		
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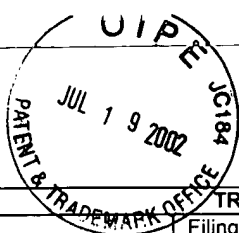
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 659/912
Serial No. 10/034,994	Filing Date December 28, 2001	Examiner To be assigned	Group Art Unit 1772
Inventor(s) Mlinar et al.			
Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WEAKENING A PORTION OF A WEB			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is a First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; 8 cited references and return postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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